

Sailing 5 March 2017

Aggregate Match Race 4

There had been some rain very early this morning and it had remained overcast. The wind had been a light westerly but it picked up after midday and the sun came out to make a good sailing afternoon.

9 members at the pond meant 18 races and we were able to keep two races on the course most of the time so we got through the races in a good time and had a fleet race afterwards.



Dan Leahy didn't have his Seawind with him so he took club boat 19 which now has a repaired rear hatch after it had failed last week.

*Photo Left: Dan with 19 races
George Stead.*

First up were Neil Purcell and I. I was goaded to make some action in the prestart, as I was on starboard I turned toward Neil who was on port and gave him a penalty.

When I raced Simon Adamson I was able to get into the start area quickly. Terry O'Neill was just finishing his earlier race on starboard close to the far mark and this held Simon up enough for me to also get on starboard and again stop Simon entering the start area until the time expired and he was given a penalty.

When I raced Terry in the next round I was able to get a penalty on him in the prestart with a port-starboard but then he chased me to the path on port. I gybed quickly onto starboard and we collided but I did not give him enough time to keep clear and this cancelled the earlier penalty.



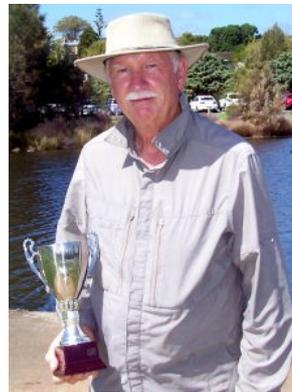
Simon Adamson leads Terry O'Neill



In the race between Terry and Bruce they were close all the way around. At the bottom mark they were side by side and parrying (photo left).

On the leg to the finish Terry pulled ahead slightly but Bruce put on a burst to the line and won by no more than 3mm.

Bruce Watson, George Stead and I won 3 of our 4 races. Neil Purcell and I are now equal top score in the series with 3 days counting.



Anniversary Weekend Regatta Cup

Bruce Watson was presented with the Anniversary Regatta Cup which he had won several weeks ago but hadn't been to the pond since it had been engraved.

Electron Onepoto Regatta



On Saturday, 11th March the Electron Owners' Association will be holding their Onepoto Regatta. Start is at 9am.

Richard Plinston, President NZRYS

Next Week(s):

March 12: Autumn Series 4

March 19: Autumn Series 5

March 26: Autumn Series 6

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